

ABSTRACT

An apparatus for transferring images (1) to a wooden support (10), of the type comprising:

- a. means (1, 2, 3) for acquiring and/or creating an image;
- 5 b. at least one source (5) of a laser beam;
- c. means (6, 8) for moving, either in rotation and/or translation, the laser beam (L) relative to the wooden support, or vice versa, as well as focusing the laser beam relative to the support;
- 10 d. at least one adjustment unit (4) for the emission of the laser beam;
- e. at least one control unit (7, 9) for said moving and focusing means; and
- 15 f. means (1, 3) for converting the information of the image to be transferred into instructions for the adjustment unit and control unit.

The adjustment unit adjusts the emission of the laser beam by directly varying the pumping of the active material and/or by varying the operation of a modulator placed within the resonant cavity of the

20 laser source.